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SUMMARY: ON JUNE 27-28, 1977 EXPERTS FROM NINE NATO
COUNTRIES AND EC MET AT NATO HQS TO DISCUSS FRENCH-
LED STUDY ON REMOTE SENSING FOR THE CONTROL OF
MARINE POLLUTION. THREE QUESTIONNAIRES DEVELOPED AT LAST
MEETING WERE FURTHER REFINED, AND FUTURE WORK PROGRAM
WAS OUTLINED. ACTION REQUESTED: GUIDANCE ON
SWEDEN'S REQUEST TO PARTICIPATE IN STUDY AS OBSERVER.
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END SUMMARY.
1. FRENCH CHAIRMAN (MASSIN) AND EXPERTS FROM BELGIUM
(PICHOT), CANADA (O'NEIL), FRANCE (LAIDAT), GREECE
(MOUTSOULAS), ITALY (TODISCO), NETHERLANDS (SMORENBURG),
TURKEY (GUVENC AND ATUK), UK (PARKER), EC (GUILLOT), AND
US (MCCLELLAND AND VOLLMERS) FOUND THAT THE THREE QUESTION-
NAIRES DEVELOPED AT LAST MEETING TO COLLECT INFORMATION

ON REMOTE SENSING EQUIPMENT NEEDED FURTHER REFINEMENT. AFTER DRAFTING REVISED QUESTIONNAIRES, EXPERTS AGREED TO TRY TO HAVE THEM ANSWERED BY NATIONAL AUTHORITIES BEFORE AUGUST 31, IF POSSIBLE.

2. AT SUGGESTION OF U.S., QUESTIONNAIRES WILL SEEK INFORMATION ON OPERATIONAL ADVANTAGES AND DISADVANTAGES OF EQUIPMENT AND FURTHER TECHNICAL DATA.

3. RESPONSES TO QUESTIONNAIRES, TO BE PUBLISHED IN LOOSE-LEAF FORM TO FACILITATE CONTINUOUS UPDATING, WILL SERVE AS AN INVENTORY OF REMOTE SENSING EQUIPMENT, BOTH IN OPERATION AND UNDER DEVELOPMENT. THIS INVENTORY WILL BE PART OF A THREE SECTION MANUAL THAT INCLUDES AN INTRODUCTION DESCRIBING GENERAL CHARACTERISTICS OF VARIOUS SENSING TECHNOLOGY AS WELL AS A LIST OF CENTERS CONDUCTING RESEARCH ON REMOTE SENSING.

4. CHAIRMAN MASSIN SUGGESTED THAT THE EXPERTS PURSUE FUTURE WORK BY ORGANIZING THEMSELVES IN THREE SUBGROUPS TO STUDY: (A) COLLECTION OF DATA ON DETECTION; (B) DATA INTERPRETATION AND PROCESSING; (C) AIR-SEA POLLUTION TRANSFER PROBLEMS. TURKEY AGREED TO TAKE LEAD IN SUBGROUP ON DATA INTERPRETATION AND PROCESSING AND TO PREPARE TERMS OF REFERENCE, IF MASSIN'S SUGGESTION IS ADOPTED. EXPERTS WILL MAKE FINAL DECISION ON BEST WAY TO PROCEED AT NEXT MEETING.

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5. MASSIN REPORTED SWEDISH INTEREST IN PARTICIPATING IN PILOT STUDY AS OBSERVERS AND ASKED FOR ALLIED APPROVAL UNDER USUAL SILENT CONSENT PROCEDURE. WE RECOMMEND US APPROVE.

6. ACTION REQUESTED: CONCURRENCE IN SWEDISH PARTICIPATION IN REMOTE SENSING PILOT STUDY BY SILENT CONSENT. BENNETT

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